

St. Joan Of Arc Church

496 East Washington Street • Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022



OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Joan of Arc Parish is a growing community of Roman Catholic Christians in the Chagrin Falls area.

We are a diverse, gifted and joyful people who share a common belief in the Word of Jesus Christ. Our Mission, like that of Jesus Christ and His apostles, is to proclaim the Kingdom of God through living the gospel.

WE GATHER AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY TO:

CELEBRATE our faith and the presence of God in the Eucharist and in one another.

IMITATE our Savior in His service to others.

TEACH our beliefs at all levels.

WELCOME the participation of all in our Christian fellowship.

Parish Office 440-247-7183
Parish E-mail stjoanchagrin@gmail.com
Parish Website stjoanofarchurch.org
Music Ministry 440-247-7183
Rel. Education Office - Sr. Judy Bucco 440-247-3606
Sr. Ann Marie Kanusek, SND 440-247-1141
School 440-247-6530
Youth Ministry stjoanofarcym@gmail.com...440-247-4316
RCIA - Deacon Jeff 440-376-9177

Sr. Judith Bucco, SND, Director of Religious Education
Rev. Mr. Jeffrey Dunlop, Deacon
Miss Allie Gall, Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Rev. Mr. Dennis Guritza, Deacon
Sr. Ann Marie Kanusek, SND, Pastoral Associate
Rev. Gary J. Malin, Pastor
Mr. Daniel L. Mitchell - Principal
Director of Music - Contact Parish Office for Information
Rev. John Olsavsky, Former Pastor, Retired

Weekend mass:

Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Weekday mass:

Monday, Thursday, and Friday 8:00 AM
Tuesday 9:00 AM September through May
8:00 AM June, July, and August

Holy Day mass and Civic Holidays, see bulletin

Baptism: Celebrated at most weekend masses or on most Sundays at 12:00 noon. Contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation (Confession):
Saturdays 3:30 PM until all are heard.
In Advent and Lent 3:15 to 4:00 PM

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please contact a priest or deacon at least one year before the anticipated date.

Care of the Sick and Elderly: Please inform us of those who are sick, aged, unable to come to church, homebound, hospitalized, or may need the Sacrament of Anointing.

Funerals: Please contact the parish office before scheduling or publishing (generally through a funeral director).
Bereavement committee available for hospitality.

Sponsor Certificates: May be obtained by registered, practicing members of our parish who have received the three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist (and, if Married, were married in the church).

Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

Sessions in the Catholic Faith (RCIA):
Wednesdays at 7:00 PM (*September thru May*).

New Parishioners: Welcome to St. Joan of Arc!
Contact the Parish Office to register.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

“Stay With Us”
Sunday, September 15, 2019
Called to Catechesis

Colleen Alexander
Nancy Ball
Siggi Berns
Caitlin Bias
Jen Bieznieks
Katie Bittner
Matt Bittner
Sue Bondra
Sr. Judith Bucco, SND
Kristi Butler
Amy Catney
Lisa Cencula
Susan Ciufo
Sharise Clegg
Tony Colini
Allison Coulson
Suzanne Dean
Ruth Downey

Deacon Jeff Dunlop
Chris Elliott
Anita Fratantonio
Leslie Galicki
Allie Gall
Laszlo Harmat
Jim Hogan
Gina Huber
Jan Jones
Vicky Kale
Sr. Ann Marie Kanusek, SND
Jen Kler
Sarah Kostura
Debbie Kronstain
MaKaela Lapso
Meghan Laws
Michelle Martino
Chantel Michalek

Dan Mitchell
Courtney Nalepka
Joseph Nieves
Lori Rice
Cecilia Robinson
Scott Sanders
Tanya Scharpf
Pattie Siko
Karen Sunderhaft
Brian Toohig
Nancy Toth
Bobbie Trew
Patti Valencic
Mary Vincenti
Anne Wisniewski
David York
Scott Zimmer

Our thanks is given to our dedicated and committed St. Joan of Arc Teachers and volunteer Catechists, who, through their goodness and witness, help to form our children, teens and adults in the Catholic faith.



FROM THE PASTOR

Greetings of Peace.

The Church in the USA celebrates **Catechetical Sunday** this weekend, September 14-15, under the theme of "Stay with Us." This weekend, catechists are "officially recognized" for ministry to the community.

Catechetical Sunday is also a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each and every one of us plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all of us to rededicate ourselves to this mission as a community of faith.



In a special way, Catechists teach the faith to our children in our Day School, PSR, High School theology, and faith formation such as preparation for First Penance, First Communion, and Confirmation. Moreover, they help teach our faith to those adults joining the church through the RCIA. Perhaps most importantly, catechists witness their faith in their presence and work in the parish.

We are so blessed at St. Joan of Arc with so many dedicated and committed catechists within our Parish. Additionally, we are blessed with the leadership of Sr. Judy Bucco, SND a member our parish ministerial staff who leads and coordinates all of our parish Faith Formation. Sr. Judy, along with Sr. Theresa Hafner, CSJ, who works in our parish Office of Faith Formation, are so dedicated and give so much of their time and their gifts in this important ministry. Please join me in extending heartfelt gratitude to them for their good work.

The United States Bishops gave us this prayer to offer for all those who "teach the ways of the faith" as catechists.

"O God, our Heavenly Father, you have given us the gift of catechists to be heralds of the Gospel to our parish family.

We lift them up to you in thanksgiving and intercede for them concerning their hopes and needs.

May we be attentive to the presence of your Word in them, a Word that lifts up and affirms, calls forth and challenges, is compassionate and consoles.

We pray that our parish family will always be blessed with those who have responded to the call to share in Christ's prophetic mission as catechists.

May we too be open to the universal call to service that Christ addresses to all of his disciples, contributing our gifts to the communion of faith, the Church.

We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen."

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Next weekend, on Saturday eve September 21 (after the 4:30 PM mass), we will have our

"End of Summer **Cookout**" at which we will also have our **Annual Parish Raffle**. **Please sign up with a RSVP form if you will be attending our Cook Out** (even if you have purchased a raffle ticket). Tickets for our raffle are available as well! The Grand Prize is

\$25,000. You cannot win without a ticket! Thank you for your support of our one main fundraiser for our parish.

Since we have begun a new school year and activities are happening in the parish, we are Calling for ALTAR SERVERS. **Students in grade 6-8 (and older - including high school and beyond) are invited to be trained as Altar Servers at St. Joan of Arc.** New Servers should come to one of the following training dates:

* Wednesday October 16, from 3:15 to 4:30 PM

* Thursday October 17, from 3:45 to 5:00 PM



Parents are welcome to attend. Permission slips are needed for new servers to be trained and to serve at mass. Sign-up forms (which include the permission slip) are available (or will soon be available) from the Parish Office, School Office, PSR Office, and online. *Re-training is not necessary for those who are currently Altar Servers.* Thank you for your ministry of service!

Blessings and Peace, *Fr. Gary*

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week

**24th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 15**

9:00AM The SJA
Parishioners

11:00AM John
Paulich
(Jones)

**Monday,
September 16**

8:00AM John
Clegg
(Yoe)

**Tuesday,
September 17**

9:00AM Betty
Kanan
(DiBacco)

**Weds,
September 18**

No Mass

**Thurs,
September 19**

8:00AM Virginia
Ortmann
(Ortmann)

**Friday,
September 20**

8:00AM Kathy
Rudmann
(Brail)

**Saturday,
September 21**

4:30PM Ann
Bogden
(Schneider)

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Parish School of Religion
Catechetical Sunday**



Sunday, September 15, is Catechetical Sunday. We will recognize at the 11:00am Mass, the many men and women of our Parish who devote

themselves to imparting the Catholic faith to our children, teens and adults. Our Parish Community celebrates the goodness and dedication of these generous men and women who serve our parish as Catechists in our Catholic Day School, Parish School of Religion, Confirmation Process and RCIA!

Parish School of Religion

Sacrament of Confirmation

The Opening Session for Confirmation was Saturday, September 14. We thank Mary Lou Beers, Coordinator of Sacramental Programs at St. Mary Magdalene Parish in Willowick and a national speaker for the Diocese of Cleveland, for being such an integral part of our gathering for Confirmation. Mary Lou is such a great role model for our teens! Her deep faith and love for God, her family and those with whom she ministers, is such a powerful witness for our Church and for all of us!

The First Instructional Session in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation is Thursday, September 19, from 6:30-8:15pm in the Parish Hall. Candidates need to bring their red folders to this session and each session. Thank you!

**Children's Liturgy of
the Word**

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word (for children in Kindergarten through Grade 3) began Sunday, September 8, at the 9:00am Mass. Any child/teen (Grades 5-High School) who can volunteer to be an aide for this wonderful service for our children, please contact:

Office of Faith Formation at
officeoffaithformation@stjoanofarc.org
Thank you!



**St. Joan of Arc
Catholic School News**
By Mr. Daniel L. Mitchell
School Principal

Faith. Academics. Excellence.

Hello St. Joan of Arc Church Family,

Just like every summer before it, the summer of 2019 seemed to end as quickly as it began, and the students are all back in the full swing of school. God blessed our school facilities this summer with some major renovations, including new ceiling tiles, insulation, and most importantly, LED lighting throughout the building. This new illumination system has many benefits, such as tremendous energy cost savings and a cleaner, brighter light emission. Additionally, the school received a thorough cleaning, with the end result being a more pleasant and welcoming environment.



Our students have been getting back into the daily school routines, and our newest students, the Kindergartners, have been working with Mrs. Coulson to establish their own routines that they will follow for years to come. I can relate best to this year's Kindergartners, as they are new to the school, and each day presents unique discoveries and opportunities from which they will learn and grow. Additionally, the enthusiasm they exude when they enter the building each morning is highly contagious and helps me to get excited for the events of the day. I find it incredible that God presents His love and kindness most clearly in the innocence and unrestrained optimism of the young. I guess this only stands to reason, as He sent His Only Son, Who would conquer sin and death, in the form of a baby. It is a great irony that we can learn so much about how to live from the youngest of our communities.

God be with you all,

Mr. Mitchell



Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry got off to a good start this past weekend with an excellent prayer service and bonfire.



We have a wonderful opportunity coming up. We're happy to announce that we're starting an Adopt-a-Grandparent partnership with Hamlet Village. This is a wonderful opportunity for teens in grades 7-12 that will provide great intergenerational communication and service hours! This will be an ongoing partnership that requires about 2-3 hours per month. If you're interested, please contact Allie to sign up. The deadline is FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

We're also considering going on a mission trip this coming summer. While we're still in the investigation and planning stage, it looks like we'll be using Praying Pelican Missions and going to Pittsburgh, PA. More information to follow soon - keep an eye out for an informational meeting within the next month to 6 weeks.



In the spirit of the new school year, Allie is trying something new - open office hours! Every Sunday from 11am to 2pm, Allie will be available in her office, so feel free to stop by, introduce yourself, chat, offer suggestions, etc.

Finally, if you are interested in being part of Youth Ministry, please register on the Parish website or by using the form available outside Allie's door. Adults over age 21 are also welcomed to register as volunteers - please contact Allie Gall at 440.247.4316; stjoanofarcym@gmail.com or come see me at The Youth Ministry office located in the Olsavsky Center.

ARE YOU MAD FOR MUMS?

Then please go to our mum store and purchase all the colors you need to get that feeling of Fall started!

The sale is going on now and will close Friday, September 20th.

Please plan to pick-up your mums Thursday, September 26th - Saturday, September 28th at the church parking lot. All proceeds go to support the St. Joan of Arc school.

Order online @ <https://squareup.com/store/st-joan-of-arc-pto> .



Baptism Preparation

For those wishing to baptize their children a one time preparation class is required.



This class helps parents to understand the sacrament of baptism and prepares them to celebrate it more fully by breaking open the meaning of the symbols and scriptures of the rite.

There will be a Baptism Preparation class on Monday September 16 from 7-8:30PM in the church Narthex.

Please call Diana Guritza with questions or to sign up. 440.552.1046

The Chagrin Documentary Film Festival

The Chagrin Documentary Film Festival is ten years old this October! The Women's Guild has been a part of this wonderful happening in our town from the beginning!

The ladies of our church have always brought wonderful salads to the Annual Salad Luncheon. On October 3 we will be hosting this event. We are inviting all parishioners to come and bring a salad to share and view the films. Every year this event is a sellout, please make your reservations to Sally 216-832-6243 ASAP. Reservations are mandatory. Hope you can make it!



BLANKET SUNDAY



Our annual Blanket Sunday Collection to aid the needy in our Chagrin Falls community will be the weekend of September 28 and 29.

Please bring your good usable or new blankets, sheets, pillowcases, and towels to church that weekend. If you have already cleaned out your closets, we will gratefully accept your cash or check donations made out to St. Joan of Arc Parish, with "blanket Sunday" written in the memo. Please help those in need during the upcoming cold winter.

September

Sunday

September 15

9:00 AM Mass
11:00 AM Mass
11:00 AM PSR Parent Meeting (CR 10)

Monday

September 16

8:00 AM
9:15 AM Moms, Pops, & Tots (OC)
6:30 PM Parish Council (RB)
7:00 PM Baptism Class (CH GA)

Tuesday

September 17

9:00 AM Mass
6:30 PM Cub Scouts (H)

Wednesday

September 18

No Mass
8:30 AM PTO Fund Raising Meeting (H)

Thursday

September 19

8:00 AM Mass
8:30 AM Bible Study (RB)
6:30 PM Confirmation Session (H)

Friday

September 20

8:00 AM Mass
8:30 AM PTO Meeting (S)
12:00 PM Dads do Lunch

Saturday

September 21

3:30 PM Confession
4:30 PM Vigil Mass
5:30 PM Join us for End of Summer Family Fun **Cookout** and Raffle

Time is running out! Get your Raffle Tickets and the End of Summer Family Fun

Cook out! Tickets

Deadline to RSVP for the **cookout!!** Is Wed. the 15th See our sellers after mass in the gathering area to support our wonderful Parish!

IRA Charitable Rollover



The end of 2019 is rapidly approaching!! It's not too late to dedicate a portion of your IRA distribution to St. Joan of Arc

If you are age 70 ½ or older, you may be able to reduce your taxable income this year with a gift made directly from your IRA to a qualified charity such as our parish. Your accountant or IRA administrator can help you understand how the IRA Charitable Rollover works and the steps you can take to lower your taxes and help St. Joan of Arc Parish. Act now, while time is on your side!

Thank you

A big thank you to these generous parishioners for donating flowers from their gardens for decoration of the sanctuary; Lori Rice, Mary Lasko, Don & Joan Matz and Terri and Caryn Rickleman.



Mass Celebrant

September 21/22

4:30 PM Fr. Gary J. Malin
9:00 AM Fr. Gary J. Malin
11:00 AM Fr. Gary J. Malin

Collection

9/7 & 9/8

Cash/Checks	\$9,180.39
E-Giving	\$5,988.00
Total	\$15,168.39

Silent Auction Baskets



The Deadline for Silent Auction Baskets will be this coming Weds the 18th. These Baskets are a fantastic way to promote your group or business. You just donate a filled basket, courtesy of your business or group, that would be auctioned off at the End of Summer Family Fun

Cookout!

You may get an Auction Basket Donation form off our Parish Website: stjoanofarcchurch.org and email it to the office, come into the office and fill one out, or even grab one when you stop to buy your raffle ticket after mass! Just ask one of our volunteers for a form.